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November 6, 2000

Mert Hamilton  
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Re: Acceptance of Small Mining Operations, Rocanville/Wing Project, S/027/090, Millard County, Utah

Dear Mr. Hamilton:

On October 12, 2000, we received a Transfer of Notice of Intention for Small Mining Operations along with a \$100.00 permit fee payment. The transfer was for a portion of the Levin Stone Company's Levin #1 small mining project located in the NE1/4 of the NW1/4 of Section 34, T17S, R13W, Millard County, Utah. The transfer was signed by Mr. Van M. Falls as agent for Levin Stone Company and you as the new operator for Rocanville/Wing Joint Venture (RWJV).

Before we could respond to the transfer notification, a site inspection had to be performed. On October 18, 2000, the BLM accompanied me on that inspection. I used a GPS unit to measure the disturbance of this area and found the new RWJV area consists of 2.76 acres, which includes the road between the first pit Levin Stone Company created and the pit RWJV is taking over. Because the most recent disturbance is outside of Levin Stone's current permit area, *we cannot accept this as a transfer*. However, after our telephone conversation this a.m., which clarified some items, we will use the information in the transfer notice and create a new permit file for your site. **The information in the transfer form along with information obtained in our verbal conversation will be accepted in lieu of a small mining notice of intention form.** The information can now be considered complete, and no other information is required by the Division at this time. The permit file number assigned to the new RWJV project area, which you have agreed is your responsibility is number S/027/090. **Please be aware that acceptance from the Division does not give you permission to commence mining without first meeting the requirements and receiving acceptance from the Bureau of Land Management.**

In accordance with rule R647-3-105 regarding the project location, the areas to be disturbed should be plotted on a map in sufficient detail so that they can be located on the ground. I have enclosed the map created with the GPS unit. Please mark the five acre or less area boundary (including access/haul roads) in the field with metal T-Posts (or with some other marker of equal effectiveness). Markers must be appropriately spaced so that the next marker in either direction is clearly visible with the naked eye. This will allow you to keep your project within the five acre limitation of a small mining permit.





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For your reference, I have enclosed copies of our summarized rules regarding "Operation and Reclamation Practices," and the statutory penalty for failure to reclaim a minesite (SMO-1). Please give special consideration to item #10 of the "Operation and Reclamation Practices. Stockpiling topsoil material prior to beginning your mining operation will help ensure successful revegetation efforts upon final reclamation of the minesite. If the area being mined is a solid rock outcrop, or if the land surface is very rocky, then soil stockpiling is probably not possible. However, even the first few inches of undeveloped material is worth saving to aid in later revegetation efforts, and future regulatory release from reclamation requirements.

**Please be advised that this small mine permit cannot exceed five acres of total disturbance.** Should you wish to expand your operation beyond the five (5) acre limitation, please notify this office as soon as possible to discuss the necessary permitting requirements. Approval of a large mining notice could take from six to twelve months or longer.

Enclosed is a copy of the transfer form which has been amended to be a Notice of Intention, a GPS map, and a copy of a section of the Margum Pass Quad map showing the site located in the NE1/4 of the NW1/4 of Section 34. Thank you for your cooperation. Best wishes with your mining operation. Please reference file number S/027/090 in any future correspondence regarding this permit.

Sincerely,



Tom Munson  
Senior Reclamation Specialist

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Enclosures: amended transfer, GPS map, copy of portion of quad map  
cc: Van Falls, Levin Stone w/encl  
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